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Applicant: Eric Houde

Invention: FLUID MANAGEMENT VALVE

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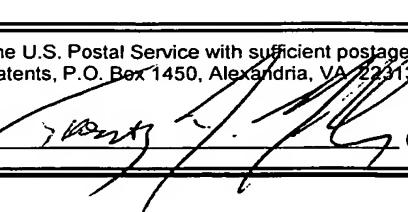
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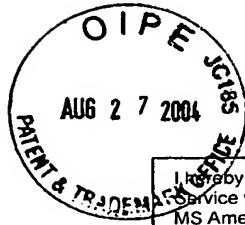
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### AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

### INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated June 30, 2004, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 5 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 6 of this paper.